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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action for the above-identified patent application, mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on February 28, 2001, please extend the date for response by two months up to and including Monday, July 30, 2001. Applicants enclose the requisite petition and check to cover the extension fee.

AMENDMENTS

In the Specification

Please delete the paragraph bridging pages 46 and 47 of the Specification and replace the deleted paragraph with the following paragraph:

Ten masses were detected by mass spectrometry from seven of the CvC-3H peaks. Amino acid sequence was obtained for three peptides, two by Edman degradation and one by carboxypeptidase-MALDI-TOF analysis. The sequences obtained for these peptides, shown in Table 4, match a protein known as IEF SSP 9502 or "novel human nuclear phosphoprotein" (Honore *et al.* (1994) *supra*; GenBank Accession #L07758). The nucleotide sequence of the cDNA encoding IEF SSP 9502 is shown in SEQ ID NO: 47, and the complete amino acid sequence for this protein, as derived from the gene sequence, is shown in SEQ ID NO: 10 and